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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Mark B. Hanna  
Serial No.: Unknown  
Filed: June 13, 2001  
Group No.: Unknown  
Examiner: Unknown  
Title: LID WITH WINDOW HERMETICALLY  
SEALED TO FRAME, AND A METHOD  
MAKING IT

Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

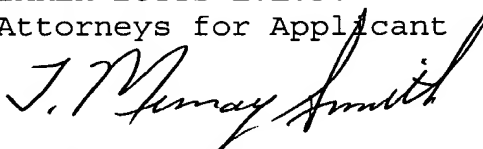
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant is submitting information which may be material to the examination of the present application, including a document which is listed on enclosed Form PTO-1449.

More specifically, the enclosed document is labeled "Sketch A", and depicts a pre-existing assembly which includes a metal frame 2 made of ASTM-F15 steel, commonly known as "Kovar". The surface of the frame is oxidized, and then a window 1 made of a glass material is placed within the opening through the frame. The window and frame are both heated until the glass material of the window softens, and are then both cooled. This causes the peripheral edge of the glass to bond directly to the oxidized surface of the frame which defines the peripheral edge of the opening through the frame. The assembly shown in Sketch A is also discussed on pages 2-3 of the specification of the present application.

It is respectfully requested that the information presented by this Information Disclosure Statement be taken into account when this application is taken up for examination. Favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,  
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